

Social World

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FOR YOUR PLEASURE . . . Next Sunday afternoon the public is invited to visit three homes on a holiday tour sponsored by the Coast Cooperative Nursery. All kinds of Christmas decorations and holiday gift items will be on sale at these homes. Shown working on items are from left, Mmes. Stephen Rathkopf, Seldon Shepherd, J. W. Cummings and R. L. Massingill. Tickets may be secured by calling Mrs. Seldon Shepherd.

Christmas Homes Tour Set For Sunday Dec. 11

Coast Cooperative Nursery will present its "Holiday Homes Tour" on Sunday, Dec. 11 from 12 noon until 4 p.m. The public is invited to make this tour to secure ideas for Christmas decorating and to purchase handmade Christmas gifts.

At the first home of the tour, a Christmas breakfast will be set up. At this home, which belongs to Robert Rathkopf, 25229 Denny Rd. the decorations will be those that can be made by a child.

The next stop on the tour

is the contemporary home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Massingill, 21418 Mildred Ave. A typical Christmas dinner scene will predominate the decorations in this home.

The third home will be the scene of an old fashioned Christmas buffet dinner. This is the home of Mr. and Mrs. Seldon Shepherd, 3615 W. 226th St. Here a Christmas tea will be served to visitors. In charge will be Mary Jo Mendenhall director of the nursery school, Mmes. Gene Sieberne and Emil Settlage.

In all of the homes on the tour, guests will have an opportunity to purchase Christmas ornaments and gifts made by the mothers of the Coast Cooperative Nursery.

Entertain Jesterettes

Torrance members of the Jesterettes, Maub Ives 5, entertained the chapter at their Christmas party Wednesday evening at the Fish Shanty in Walters.

After the Christmas dinner, a gift exchange was held. The group then joined in singing Christmas carols. Sixteen members from Pacific Palisades were in attendance.

Local hostesses were Mmes. Fred Bever, Fay Parks, Jack Miller, Mae Jones and Olive Whittenburg.



BETTY WATSON . . . Future Bride

Betrothal Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Jack R. Watson, 1520 Fern Ave., are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Betty, to George Carter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carter, 2126 250th St., Lomita.

A July 1961 wedding is being planned. The bride-elect was graduated from Torrance High school in 1960 and is now attending El Camino college.

Her fiancé was graduated from Narbonne High school in 1959. He is employed by Todd Shipyards.

Fresno Trip

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle O'Hara and John, Colleen, Judy and Jill returned last Sunday from a four day vacation in Fresno as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Armstrong, formerly of Torrance.



SPARKLING HOLIDAY DANCE . . . Torrance Junior Woman's club will hold their annual Christmas dinner dance Saturday evening at the Palms restaurant. Dinner will be served at 7:30 p.m. followed by an evening of dancing to the music of Richard Dorothy and his orchestra. Making table decorations are from left, Mmes. Lee Clotworthy, president, Fred Smith, Elgin Logsdon, and Kenneth Boulter, chairman for the dance.



CHANGING LEADERSHIP . . . The retiring committee of the Triple T Dance club, consisting of the Gilbert Derouins, Don Hydes, Art Ascolesis and Marshall Chamberlains entertained the new committee at a pot luck dinner at the Derouin home, 1625 Beech, last Saturday evening. Special guests were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Level-

len. Pictured as they turn over the books are from left, Nick Draie, Calvin Clark, Mrs. Clark, Mrs. John Melville, Mrs. Draie, John Melville, Mrs. Art Ascolesi and Mr. Ascolesi, outgoing presidents. The Nick Draies are new committee presidents.

Madrecitas Christmas Party Dec. 15

On Dec. 15, members of Las Madrecitas will take "time out" from business activities to enjoy their annual Christmas party. The party will be held in Palos Verdes at the home of Mrs. Richard Barbour, the group's hospitality chairman. Gifts will be exchanged, and a buffet of holiday treats will be served.

Las Madrecitas, as an auxiliary of the Crippled Children's Guild, is dedicated to raising funds for the Pediatric Ward of the Orthopaedic Hospital in Los Angeles. The group's next philanthropic event, to be co-ordinated by Mrs. Eugene Eichler, will be a spring fashion-luncheon.

Volunteers Need Your Assistance

Residents of Torrance are being given a chance to play Santa Claus to the children of the Harbor General Hospital. The Volunteers for Children, who donate their time and effort to these children throughout the year, need toys for the annual party to be held Dec. 21.

The toys should be in by Dec. 15, providing time for wrapping. These children also need pajamas and slippers. All sizes are needed.

The toys and clothing gifts are placed in shopping bags, which are also badly needed by the Volunteers. Anyone wishing to donate to make this a merry Christmas for these hospitalized youngsters may call Mrs. George Morehart or Mrs. Ralph Robertson.



ENGAGED . . . Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd E. Waltmeyer of Torrance announce the engagement of their daughter, Gloria Jeanne to D. Dale Herron, son of the R. D. Herons of Redondo. The wedding is planned for Aug. 1961. Gloria is a senior at Torrance High and her fiancé is a senior at Redondo Union High.

Rotary Anns Plan Events At Luncheon

Torrance Rotary Anns will join their husbands, the members of the Rotary club, for a Christmas party in the Crystal room of the Palms restaurant on Tuesday evening, Dec. 20.

The party was planned at the home of Mrs. Carl Warner, 1452 El Prado Ave.

Following the luncheon, the guests heard an interesting talk on Christmas decorations by Iris Chipman of The Gilded Cage.

Mrs. William Shawger, president, conducted the business meeting when the dinner meeting was planned for January.

On the committee for the luncheon were Mmes. W. E. Bowen, Don Hyde, Carl Warner, John Tweedy and Len Ensminger.

Others attending were Mmes. Donald Armstrong, John Ebbinghouse, Wallace Haas, John Lindley, George Post, William Shawger, John Watt, William Jamieson, Daniel Ryan, Joseph Bay, James McMillan, Jim Weigel, Robert Lewellen, Dick Loquvam, Donald Meyer, Robert Sherratt, Roger Rogers, James Hall, Gerald Alter and Harold Mullin.

Entertains

Mrs. Eugene Cook entertained her club last Thursday at a luncheon and bridge party at her home, 2703 Arlington.

Mrs. Cook's guests were Mmes. M. A. Bauman, W. C. Boswell, Paul Loranger, John Melville, Mel Miller, W. I. Laughon, Deag Sears, and Delbert Thomsen.

The club's Christmas party will be held this week.

Parks Hosts To Guests

Mr. and Mrs. Fay Parks, 2530 Eldorado, had as their guests for ten days, Mr. Park's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Olson of White Fish, Mont.

Mr. Olson is a conductor with Great Northern. They left Torrance Monday for Monterey to visit Mr. Olson's brother, before returning home.

Last Sunday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Parks entertained at a dinner party honoring their guests.

Attending were Messrs. and Mmes. J. E. Miller, Fred Bever, D. H. Jones; and Mmes. Florence Childs, Lillian Shriner and Vena Hamilton.

Kastrup-Littlejohn Vows Recited in Garden Grove

St. Columban's Catholic Church in Garden Grove was the scene of a nuptial mass and marriage ceremony on Saturday Nov. 26, uniting Miss Arlene Kastrup and Thomas J. Littlejohn. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kastrup, 11202 Lampson Ave., Garden Grove, former Torrance residents. Mr. and Mrs. John Littlejohn of Anaheim are parents of the bridegroom.

Mr. Kastrup escorted his daughter to the altar. She was gowned in white French slipper satin with lace appliques. The scalloped scooped neckline was accented with lace and the fitted torso had long pointed sleeves. The bouffant skirt had a back panel of the satin caught into a bustle effect and falling into an intermission train. A crown of starched Chantilly lace studded with pearls held the misty silk illusion veil. The bride carried a white Bible topped by white orchids and roses.

Miss Betty Kastrup was the maid of honor and bridesmaids were Misses Sue Carey, Jackie Jordan, and Maureen Littlejohn. All were gowned in peacock blue satin and each carried a cascade of white and blue carnations. Susan Sharpio, also dressed

in peacock blue, was the flower girl and Bobby Kastrup carried the rings.

Jack Littlejohn stood as best man and ushers were Dick Volpe, Ron Zapalawa and Glenn Pachull.

Rev. T. E. Fitzgerald officiated at the mass and the double ring marriage ceremony. Mrs. C. Hagan played the nuptial music and Louise Diallo sang "Ave Maria" and "On This Day."

A reception for the 200 guests was held at the Garden Grove Woman's clubhouse. The newlyweds spent a honeymoon in Northern California. Their new address is 935 Park Circle Dr., Anaheim.

The bride attended Nativity school here and was graduated from St. Anthony's High school in Long Beach.

Her husband was graduated from Taylorville, Ill., High school in 1954.



MRS. THOMAS J. LITTLEJOHN . . . Former Torrance Resident (Steve Turville Studio)

YOUR PROBLEMS

by Ann Landers

"I Have Noticed Inconsistency . . ."

Dear Ann Landers: I've been reading your column carefully for many years. I have noticed inconsistency in some of your advice, and I wish you would explain in print how you arrive at your conclusions.

In some cases you advise a wife to "see a lawyer about separate roofs and make sure he sends the support checks in the mail." You advise other wives to "keep the home together for the kids' sake." Why?—OBSERVANT READER

Dear Observant: You can be sure when I suggest separate roofs, the reader has indicated she tried everything but it was hopeless. In cases of extreme mental cruelty or physical violence I encourage separation. It's often the alternative to cracking up. No woman should live with a man who knocks her around and is a threat to life and limb.

When a wife writes that her husband hides girle calendars, phones his mother every evening, goes on frequent hunting and fishing trips, or is a part-time philanderer — and she adds "but he's a good father and the kids are crazy about him" I advise her to stick. I feel it's better for the family if the wife is able to make a difficult adjustment and keep the family together, than it is to throw the bum out.

Dear Ann Landers: Two years ago (after three years of happy married life) my husband's father died and he decided we should move in with his mother "to protect his inheritance."

His dad left a lot more money than anybody thought he had. My husband and his older brother don't get along. When his mother invited the older brother and his wife to move into her home they refused. My husband was then asked, and decided it would be a good way to get the inside track.

I am miserable here. Whenever I want to buy a new dress or a hat, my mother-in-law makes over an old one. She sews runs in my nose and says "You can wear them — they're good enough." My husband gives HER his paycheck to prove what a devoted son he is. I want to start a family but my husband talked it over with his mother and she decided she can't stand the noise. Please tell me what to do. — EDNA

Dear Edna: Tell your husband he has thirty days to move you out of that snake pit. If he isn't willing, leave him with Mama. Be sure to give him your new address so he'll know where to send the support checks or join you when he grows up enough to act like a husband.

Dear Ann Landers: I'm a 15-year-old girl who needs your help. A few weeks ago I received a silver cross on a chain as a gift from a pen-pal. Tonight I was dressing to go to a dance and I put the cross on. My mother asked me to take it off. She said it is not proper to wear a cross to a dance. I have seen other girls wear crosses to dances and told her so. She said she didn't care what other girls did and I was not allowed to wear it. Please tell me if she is wrong or right. — IN THE DARK

Dear In: She's wrong. A cross is a religious symbol which is "at home" anywhere.

If alcohol is robbing you or someone you love of health and dignity, send for ANNY LANDERS' booklet, "Help For The Alcoholic," enclosing with your request 20 cents in coin and a large, self-addressed, stamped envelope.

(Ann Landers will be glad to help you with your problems. Send them to her in care of this newspaper enclosing a stamped, self-addressed envelope.)

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Bonner Family

Mr. and Mrs. L. Sadunas and children, Marie and Linda of Pleasant Hill spent the recent holiday and weekend here with Mrs. Sadunas' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Bonner, 1229 Acacia. On Saturday the group went to the home of the Bonners' son, and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Bonner for a family dinner. Others present were the Melvin Bonners' children, Melvin, Mike and Patty.